

PRICES DRIFT AND DAY IS DULL

Sluggish Day in the Market. With Little Pressure of Liquidation.

MOST GAINS IN SMALL STOCKS

No Large Demand for Securities As Yet at the Ruling Prices. Close Steady.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, March 2.—Today's stock market was a dull affair and prices drifted sluggishly and rather aimlessly. There was not much pressure of liquidation and some show of strength was noted during the early part of the day. But the market failed to rebound to the extent usual after such a drive on prices as that of the middle portion of the week. Disappointment over the action of the market caused some discouragement amongst speculative holders and induced a spilling out of stocks from time to time. The gains of the morning were mostly among the stocks not of the first importance and their effect upon sentiment was consequently lessened. It seemed evident that no large demand existed for securities as yet at the ruling prices. Development in the money market were rather in favor of stocks, and the life of the call money market was appreciable easier.

Loans for periods up to 90 days were made to-day at 5 1/2 to 6 per cent. The market wavered uncertainly up to the close, which was fairly steady, however, and at considerable recoveries. Union Pacific rising to the best of the day with sympathetic effect on the market. Amalgamated Copper was the subject of conspicuous pressure.

Prices were irregular. Total sales par value, \$2,860,000.
United States 3s coupon and the old 4s advanced 1-4, the new is registered 1-2, and ditto coupon a point on call.
Total sales of stocks were 821,500 shares.

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NEW YORK, March 2.—Money on call steady, 3 1/2 to 4 per cent; ruling rate 4 1/2 to 5; closing bid 2, offered at 4 1/2. Time loans firm; 60 days and 90 days 5 1/2 to 6 per cent; six months, 5 1/2 to 6 1/2.

Prime mercantile paper 5 1/2 to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 45.70 to 45.75 for demand, and at 45.70 to 45.75 for 60 days and 45.75 to 45.80 for 90 days. Commercial bills 45.75 to 45.80. Bar silver, 65.14. Mexican dollars, 50.14.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., March 2, 1906.
SALES BEFORE BOARD.
Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company 5 p. ct. bonds—4.00 at 100 1/4.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Centuries—90 at 95; 100 at 96; 1000 at 100.

STATE SECURITIES.

North Carolina 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

CITY SECURITIES.

Richmond City 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

RAILROAD BONDS.

Atlantic and Charlotte 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Atlantic and Charlotte 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

BANK AND TRUST COMPANY STOCKS.

American National 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Virginia State 4s, C. 1902—102 1/2 at 100 1/4.

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

Baltimore, Md., March 2.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 95 1/2 bid; preferred, 96 bid.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The cotton market was moderately active and generally firm during the day's session and the result of concentrated buying by traders and bullish estimates of the amount of cotton ginned to about February 25th. The market was somewhat irregularly toward the close as early buyers took profit, but the market was finally 3 1/2 points higher. Sales were estimated at 200,000 bales.

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OFFICIAL RANGE AND SALE OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK

By Thomas Branch & Co., Bankers and Brokers.

SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing.	SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing.
100 A. C. L. com.	157	157	157	157	2,200 Missouri Pacific	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
41,200 American Steel com.	163 1/2	163 1/2	163 1/2	163 1/2	7,500 Northern Lead	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
153,200 Amalgamated Copper	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	Nash, Chattanooga and St. Louis	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
4,300 Amer. Car and Found.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	5,700 New York Central	143 1/2	143 1/2	143 1/2	143 1/2
1,200 Amer. Car and Found. pfd.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	3,200 Norfolk and Western	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
1,200 Amer. Car and Found. pfd.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	2,000 On. C. & W. pfd.	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
1,000 American Tobacco, pfd.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	25,500 Northern Pacific	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
600 American Can, pfd.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	17,500 Pennsylvania Railroad	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
7,800 Amer. Locomotive com.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	1,200 People's Gas (Chicago)	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
Amer. Locomotive, pfd.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	1,200 People's Gas (Chicago) pfd.	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
1,500 American Sugar	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	300 Pressed Steel Car, pfd.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
7,300 A. T. and S. P. com.	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	1,800 Republic I. & S. com.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
A. T. and S. P. pfd.	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	1,800 Republic I. & S. pfd.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
2,600 Baltimore and Ohio	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	6,000 Reading, 1st pfd.	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
15,300 Brooklyn Rapid Transit	31	31	31	31	Reading, 2d pfd.	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
15,300 Great Northern, pfd.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	Rock Island, com.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
3,300 Canadian Pacific	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	Rock Island, pfd.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
1,500 Chesapeake and Ohio	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	400 Sloss, pfd.	50	50	50	50
700 Chicago Great Western	21	21	21	21	Southern Pacific	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
15,300 Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	Southern Railway, pfd.	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
10,800 Colorado Fuel and Iron	34	34	34	34	Seaboard Air Line, 1st pfd.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
200 Colorado South, 1st pfd.	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	Seaboard Air Line, 2d pfd.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
900 Colorado South, 2d pfd.	61	61	61	61	Seaboard Air Line, com.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
1,200 Cleve. Cl. and Ed. com.	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	400 Tennessee Coal and Iron	147	147	147	147
21,200 Consolidated Gas	154 1/2	154 1/2	154 1/2	154 1/2	400 Texas Pacific	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
400 Delaware and Hudson	205	205	205	205	14,600 Union Pacific	161 1/2	161 1/2	161 1/2	161 1/2
Del., Lack. and Western	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	75,500 United States Steel	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
200 Erie, 1st pfd.	78	78	78	78	19,500 United States Steel, pfd.	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
1,400 Erie, 2d pfd.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	1,300 U. S. Rubber, com.	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
1,200 Great Eastern Electric	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	800 U. S. Rubber, 1st pfd.	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
1,400 Illinois Central	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	1,600 U. S. Rubber, 1st pfd.	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
2,200 Louisville and Nashville	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	1,800 Va. Car. Chemical, com.	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
100 Manhattan	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2	700 Wash. Com. pfd.	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
2,700 Metro. St. Railway	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	5,000 Wabash, com.	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
200 Mexican Central	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	5,000 Wabash, pfd.	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
1,400 Mo. Kan. and Tex. com.	34	34	34	34	5,000 Western Union	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
400 Mo. Kan. and Tex. pfd.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	Total sales, \$25,600 shares.				

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS

C. C. and St. Louis is offered.	105	New Jersey Central gen. 5s.	131
Colorado Industrial 5s, series A.	17 1/2	Norfolk and Western com.	35 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series B.	17 1/2	Norfolk and Western pfd.	35 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series C.	17 1/2	Oregon Short Line refunding 4s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series D.	17 1/2	Pennsylvania conv. 4 1/2s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series E.	17 1/2	Reading General 4s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series F.	17 1/2	St. Louis and Iron Mountain com.	118 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series G.	17 1/2	St. Louis and Iron Mountain pfd.	118 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series H.	17 1/2	St. Louis and San Francisco 4s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series I.	17 1/2	Southern Pacific 4s.	35 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series J.	17 1/2	Southern Pacific 1st 4s.	35 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series K.	17 1/2	Southern Pacific 2d 4s.	35 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series L.	17 1/2	Texas and Pacific 4s.	12 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series M.	17 1/2	Toledo, St. L. and Western 4s.	12 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series N.	17 1/2	Union Pacific 4s.	12 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series O.	17 1/2	Union Pacific 1st 4s.	12 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series P.	17 1/2	Union Pacific 2d 4s.	12 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series Q.	17 1/2	Wabash 4s.	11 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series R.	17 1/2	Wabash 1st 4s.	11 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series S.	17 1/2	Wabash 2d 4s.	11 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series T.	17 1/2	Wheeling and Lake Erie 4s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series U.	17 1/2	Wisconsin Central 4s.	95 1/2
Colorado Industrial 5s, series V.	17 1/2	M. and O. Collateral	95 1/2

price being \$12.50. Several good sales were made for W. H. Shackelford, of Hanover county; W. M. Green, of Hanover county; W. T. Hall, of Hanover county; and S. F. Snelson and P. H. Sims, of Louisa county. All these planters sold good lots, and received very satisfactory prices.

Shackelford sold 20,000 pounds, and received \$17.50 as the highest price. Stone wall had a very good sale, receiving as high as \$16. Shelbyburne sold 21,375 pounds, with good prices, \$16.50.

LIVERPOOL, March 2.—Following are the weekly cotton sales: American, \$4,000; English spinners' takings, \$5,000; total export, 3,000; imports, all kinds, 1,100; stock, American, 1,100; stock, English, 1,100; stock, total, 2,200; quantity, American, 1,100; quantity, English, 1,100; quantity, total, 2,200.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The attitude of buyers in the dry goods market to-day was somewhat better than yesterday, but the market was not much improved. The market was somewhat irregularly toward the close as early buyers took profit, but the market was finally 3 1/2 points higher.